

**Andrew Jackson to Andrew Jackson, Jr., April 6, 1834,  
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**TO ANDREW JACKSON, JR.**

Private

Washington, April 6, 1834.

*My son*, I inclosed you in my last a check for the amount to be deposited in the union Bank at Nashville by Mr. Pearson and Co. and the note on judge Overton for five hundred dollars with interest, in all fourteen hundred and odd dollars to be applied to the payment of the tract of land you bought of Hill whereon Mr. Baldwin lived. I hope you have recd. this letter with its inclosure, and there will be no disappointment in the receipt of the mony. I am fearful you have been dealing too loosely with Mr. Harry Hill. be careful and have every thing in writing and every payment you make have his receipt in writing, expressing clearly that it is in part for this tract of land, or you will have great difficulty with him, and have it clearly expressed in the Deed the quantity of acres bought and convayed. My son, attend to your fathers advice, and it will keep you clear of law and lawsuits which you ought by all precaution to avoid. I regretted to see the loosness and neglect in shipping our cotton, in not taking a responsible Receipt from the transporter to deliver it in like good order, in which it was received to Col. M. White in N. Orleans. this ought to have been, as the only security you could have to make him liable for the amount of the cotton shipped. Suppose he had sold it, and not delivered as contracted, where had you any thing to shew that he had so agreed and failed. my son cease transacting business so loosely.

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I am more than anxious to see your contract as made with Mr. Hill. I was sorry to find that Mr. Dix had received authority to receive the proceeds of our cotton, he is unworthy of trust, my deadly enemy—but why give any one a power over it. Col White was instructed as usual to remit it to Nashville, where you could have applied it to the debtes first due for supplies to the House and farm, and the ballance to the first payment of the land, took Mr. Hills receipt and closed the first payment by applying the funds, I told you I would forward, and which in my last I have forwarded, and then, for what ever might be the ballance of the first payment, you were authorised to draw upon me, but even now my son, I remain ignorant of the amt. of the first payment, or on what day it is to be made. I repeat, be careful and close the contract in all its parts with Mr. Hill and reduce it to writing or you will have *trouble* .

I have been much harrassed with business and have but little time to write. The overthrow of the opposition in the House of Representatives by the vote on the reso[lu]tions of the committee of ways and means was a triumphant one, and puts to death, that mamouth of corruption and power, the Bank of the United States. I am engaged in drawing a solemn protest against the usurpation by the senate of the impeaching power, and violation of the constitution, in Clays Resolution as passed by the senate. This I trust will end my incessant labours on the question of the Bank and the usurpations of the senate. I trust my protest will open the eyes of the people and the Legislatures of the states to an amendment of the constitution to shorten the term of a Senators, and the state Legislatures to retain the power to recall them by a majority at pleasure.

By the time this reaches you the mares will have dropped their foals, and I have only to reiterate, the propriety of breeding from our own stud, (Citizen). The majors filly by Bolivar, if she goes on the course in good order, will make Bolivar worth \$10,000. Citizen is a little better cross, than him. put all our mares to him, the Blood mares as well as any of the work mares that have not been put to jacks. as to the three two years old, they ought to be broke, gentled, and handled this spring, so that they may be trained in the fall. The oscar

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fillys colt by citizen I wish particularly carefully handled as he, if not Lamed by the hurt he has received, will be the first to bring Citizen into notice. This colt must run, and I am told by Mr. Lacy who is now here, and has lately examined him that it is only the cap of the hip that is broke off. if this be so, it will only injure his looks not his performance—do examine and let me know. any one, experienced in horses, could determine this.

I inclose a letter for my dear Sarah, please deliver it to her with a kiss, and a kiss to my dear little Rachel, with compliments to Thomas, Emma and the son and kind regards to Mrs. and Mr. Weatherall and children and to all our acquaintances and connections in which all my Houshold with Mr. and Mrs. Blair, unite. Charles has been very low, is so still, but I think will recover. I will send him home this spring to take charge of the colts.

yr affectionate father